

## MEMORANDUM

To: LSC Staff and LSC OIG Staff

Date: August 18, 2004

From: Frank B. Strickland

Chairman

Re: LSC Inspector General

The Board of Directors of LSC is pleased to announce the appointment of Richard "Kirt" West as Inspector General of the Legal Services Corporation.

Kirt will come to LSC from the United States Postal Service where most recently he has been Executive Director of the Inspector General Management Institute. At the Postal Service Kirt has also served as Deputy Counsel to the Inspector General, Assistant Inspector General for Investigations, Counsel to the Inspector General and Assistant Inspector General for Congressional Relations and Deputy General Counsel. Before joining the Postal Service Kirt was Assistant Counsel to the Inspector General of the Central Intelligence Agency, Assistant Counsel to the Inspector General of the U.S. Department of Labor and a staff attorney in the office of the Solicitor of Labor.

Kirt is a graduate of Northwestern University School of Law (J.D., 1984) and Lawrence University (B.A., 1969). Prior to attending law school Kirt worked as a public aid case worker in Chicago from 1969 to 1978 which placed him in contact with the Legal Assistance Foundation of Chicago in the representation of indigent clients. He is a member of the Illinois bar.

We expect that Kirt will begin work as Inspector General by September 1 or sooner, depending on his departure date from the Postal Service.

Please extend a warm welcome to Kirt as he joins the LSC organization.